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REF: A. PARA 4A, SX 1872, 16 FEB 59. B. PARA 2F, SX 2027, 23 FEB 59.

1. RECENT INFORMATION FROM USCOB INDICATES THAT MP ESCORT
OPERATIONS IN DEC 58 WERE CONDUCTED IN UNMARKED ADMINISTRATIVE
SEDANS BY MPS IN CLASS A UNIFORM WITH NO ITEMS OF CLOTHING OR
EQUIPMENT IDENTIFYING THEM AS MPS. THEY CLEARED SOVIET CHECK
POINTS WITH NORMAL DOCUMENTATION. AUG 57 WAS LAST DATE ON
WHICH ESCORTS WITH MP VEHICLES AND PERSONNEL WITH MP BRASSARDS
(BUT NO ARMS) WERE USED. ESCORTS WERE NOT DISCONTINUED DUE TO
SOVIET PROTEST.

2. BEGINNING 11 MAR 59, USCOB WILL IMPLEMENT ESCORT ACTION IN REF B FOR SPECIAL CONVOYS SUCH AS ENGINEER HEAVY EQUIPMENT, TANK TRANSPORTERS, TROOP CONVOYS. MP VEHICLES WILL BE 1/4 TON TRUCKS WITHOUT MP MARKINGS EXCEPT USUAL UNIT BUMPER MARKINGS. PERSONNEL WILL WEAR FIELD OR FATIGUE UNIFORM WITH MP BRASSARD AND CARRY PISTOLS WITH 7 ROUNDS. INSTRUCTIONS ARE THAT AT NO TIME WILL WEAPONS BE DISPLAYED OR HANDLED IN A THREATENING MANNER.

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